Alaska applications

July 24, 1944

The Rev. Frank C. Martick
47 Fourth Street
Cloquet, Minnesota

My dear Mr. Martick:

Miss Scott of our personnel office has shared with me the information which you sent about yourself in connection with work in National Missions. Because of your qualifications in the field of architecture and engineering as well as being able to carry on a good ministry, we are interested in you for Alaskan service. If you have in you the capacity and ability which I hope you have we would like very much to have you in Alaska.

We are in desparate need of competent ministers up there. Our properties have not had very careful attention and we need someone who can cooperate with us from the territory in the condition of our Churches and manses. In addition to that we have before us the prospect of building at least four Churches within the next few years. Last month the village of Hoonah was completely burned and our Church and manse with it. This is an Indian village of about 750 people. The government has decided to rebuild the village and, of course, we will rebuild our Church and manse.

Let us have your reaction upon this possibility.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

P.S. added in long hand by Mr.J.: "Are you going to be in the Minister's Conference at McCormick Seminary Aug. 1 to 5? If there I want to talk with you. If you are interested in Alaska and had not planned to come but could come we would pay your necessary expenses."

J.E.J.

Alaska Applicant

June 8, 1945

The Rev. Robert G. McClure
Cow Creek
Kentucky

My dear Mr. McClure:

A few days ago your name was mentioned to me as one who might possibly be interested in service in Alaska. We are looking for capable young ministers who will answer the great call of ministry in this last pioneer field, and we would be glad to hear from you concerning your interest.

Our ministry in Alaska is largely a pastoral ministry in smaller communities. We have openings among the Indians, Eskimos, and bi-racial churches. For your information we are enclosing a statement of our purpose in Alaska and the Conditions of Service. Please give this prayerful consideration and let us know if you would be interested in answering this call.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Enc.: Our Alaskan Ministry
" Conditions of Service in Alaska

Alaskan Applicant

JUN 20 1945

Booneville, Ky.
June 18, 1945

J. Earl Jackman
Unit of Work in Alaska
Presbyterian Church U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I am sorry that I cannot consider work in the Alaska Field. We have recently organized our field here into a Larger Parish with 18 churches and Sunday Schools, and my responsibility for the work is such that I must remain here for some years.

Alaska is an interesting field, and one of great opportunity for the church. May God bless you in your efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Robert G. McClure

Robert G. McClure, Director
Ows-Lee Larger Parish

RE: ALASKAN APPLICATION

Verbal information from Mr. Jackman May 31, 1944

MILEY, The Rev. Raymer L., La Grange, Indiana

Pastor of Presbyterian Church; Mr. Jackman had conference with him re: possible service in Alaska; The Rev. Mr. Miley may write to Mr. Jackman about June 10 or 15, 1944 in reference to this matter.

Telephone 76W

Alaska applicant

JUN 9 1944

6/9/44 Copy sent Mr J.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
RAYMER L. MILEY, Minister
LAGRANGE, INDIANA

June 7, 1944

Dr. Earl J. Jackman
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I have been giving the Alaskan sistuation some thought since we discussed it at G.A. At present it doesn't seem advisable for me to leave this field as we have our centennial program all under way and expect to celebrate it in early September. We are in the process of raising money to repair and redecorate our sanctuary. If I were to leave this would all fall though as it would be some before they could probably get another minister.

I enjoyed talking with you about this great field and pray that you will find some one to take up the work in July or August.

Very cordially yours,
R L Miley
Raymer LeRoy Miley

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Just moved.

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The Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

J. EARL JACKMAN UNIT OF WORK IN ALASKA

To J. M. ~~SOMERNDIKE, D.D.~~, Secretary for ~~Sunday School Missions~~

Questions concerning the Application of REV. FRANK ROSS MOUER

for appointment as ~~Sunday School~~ Missionary for the Presbytery

of ALASKA

NOTE 1.—Answers to questions 1 to 21 should be written by the applicant.

1 **Your full name and P. O. address?** Frank Ross Mouer
157-22 25 Drive
Flushing, New York

2 **Nationality** American **Age** 31 **Present employment** Stated Supply North Presbyterian Church Flushing, New York

3 **How long have you been a professing Christian? Of what church are you a member?**
Profession of Faith – about 1928
Member – Presbytery of Brooklyn – Nassau

4 **What educational advantages have you had? Common School, Academic, College, Seminary?**
Sacramento High School (Diploma)
University of California (B.A.) – 1934
San Francisco Theological Seminary (B.D.) – 1937
Union Theological Seminary (N.Y.) (S.T.M.) – 1940

5 **Have you taken any special course of training for Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work?**
cf. above #4

6 **Name institutions in which such courses were taken.**
cf above #4

7 **Are you familiar with our Church's program of religious education?**
cf above #4
Member of Department of Christian Education, Brooklyn – Nassau Presbytery

8 What experience have you had in young people's work? Young People's work during Seminary years → Junior: Santa Cruz, Calif. → Middle: Ukiah, Calif. Active & successful work in Flushing church since 1938

9 Have you ever conducted a Vacation Bible School? Counselor, 2 years - Queens Youth Presbytery, Brooklyn - Nassau Presbytery Vacation Church Schools I've conducted: 1935 Columbia, Calif., 1936. Glendale, Ore; 1937. Bethesda. L.A. Calif; 1940, 1942, 1943, North Flushing, N.Y.

10 In what other forms of Christian service have you engaged, and where?
Three years of Seminary, as student worker and preacher (Santa Cruz, Calif. Ukiah, Calif; Columbia, Calif; Glendale, Oregon; Bethesda, Los Angeles, Calif.)
Six years - North Presbyterian Church. Flushing. N.Y. (Stated Supply)

11 What experience have you had in

(a) evangelistic preaching?

(b) personal evangelism?

preaching and pastoral work during last six years - Flushing, N.Y.

12 Married or single? Married Number and ages of children, if any? none.

13 What part have you taken in Sunday school work?

(a) In your own church. adviser and counselor throughout and leader of worship

(b) In city, county or state organizations.

14 What credits have you received in the Standard Leadership Training Course?
I can't remember

15 Can you provide yourself with a means of conveyance? ——

16 Is it your earnest desire to engage in this work permanently or only for a temporary period?
Permanently, as God leads me

17 What is the condition of your physical health? good.

(Please state time of last illness, the nature of the disease and the length of time you were incapacitated.)
Sore throat and cold, October 1943. 3 or 4 days in bed

18 When could you begin work if appointed? Immediately, upon due notice to Session, following appointment, January 1st, 10th, 15th —

19 In what State or States would you prefer to labor?
Alaska

20 Do you understand that the work of the Sunday School Missionary requires frequent and extended absences from the family circle, and are you willing to be absent from home for periods of one, two, or three weeks at a time, as may be necessary? ✓

21 Give names and addresses of five persons who may be used as references. (At least three should be Presbyterian ministers.)

Rev. Warren M. Blodgett,	130 Clinton Street.	Brooklyn. N.Y.
Rev. Herbert H. Field, D.D.	130 Clinton Street.	Brooklyn. N.Y.
Rev. Ward Gypson	9 North Lane	Glen Cove, N.Y.
Rev. Francis S. Wallace	119-11 190 Street	St. Albans. N.Y.
Dr. A.B. Keeler	156 Fifth Ave	New York N.Y.

NOTE 2.–Answers to questions 22 to 38 should be written by a person acquainted with the applicant's character and abilities.

22 How long have you been acquainted with the applicant? about five years

23 From your knowledge of the requirements of modern Sunday school work, do you consider the applicant adapted by ability and temperament to this form of service as a field representative of our denomination? yes

24 Has he done any outstanding work in his church or presbytery

(a) as a soul winner?

(b) in Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work? yes.
a full program in the local church
special youth leadership in presbytery

25 In what ways has the applicant shown energy of character?
In tactful leadership

26 What are his abilities as a public speaker or leader of public meetings?
good

27 Does he seem to have an intelligent understanding of our Church's program of religious education?
yes

28 What are his business habits as to system, promptness and devotion to details?
excellent

29 Is he strictly honest and accurate in financial matters? Is he accurate and reliable in his statements?
yes!

30 Is he tactful, pleasing in manner and of friendly disposition, especially toward strangers?
yes

31 Does he attract children and young people?
yes

32 Has he been successful as a pastor, in business, or other vocation?
pastor, yes

33 Does he possess qualities of leadership such as would inspire others to adopt his suggestions?
yes

34 Is there anything unfavorable in his past record?
no

35 Is he of a practical, persistent and persevering temperament? yes

36 Is he careful and cleanly in his dress and habits? yes

37 In your observations of him and his work what characteristics or attainments of the applicant have impressed you most forcibly? 1. piety, 2. scholarship, 3. dignity, 4. thoroughness of preparation, 5, System, 6 persistence

38 What are the brother's defects? That is, what habits or peculiarities have you observed which might weaken his influence and interfere with his success as a Sunday School Missionary? (Please answer this fully.)
He takes himself too seriously and in youth meetings, he talks too much. These are only minor defects and they are not continuously operative.

NOTE 3.—The answers to all these questions should be frankly given and will be strictly regarded as confidential and for the use of this Board alone.

(Signed)

Warren M. Blodgett
Name of person answering above questions

Member of Presbyterial or Synodical Committee on National Missions

NOTE—Any credentials which the candidate may desire to submit should be enclosed with this application.

The North Presbyterian Church
154TH STREET AND 26TH AVENUE
FLUSHING, N.Y.

December 14, 1943

Rev. J. Earl Jackman
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I am enclosing herewith the letter received from Mr. Rotenberry in response to my inquiries concerning the Skagway church. As you suggested, I wrote to Rev. Mr. Rotenberry, and also to Rev. Mr. Knudsen, for any information that might help us form an adequate picture of the situation there.

You will be interested in Mr. Rotenberry's brief description; you need not return his letter. Had we received the same prior to our conference last Friday we might not have acquiesced so willingly, for we were definitely convinced of our ability to overcome any ordinary obstacles or frontier conditions. However, we are still anxious to find the place of service we can best fill.

Thank you again, Mr. Jackman, for your genuine interest and helpfulness.

Sincerely yours,

Frank Ross Mouer

Frank Ross Mouer

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Frank.

Ann Didier.

Uni. Cal. '34.
San Anselmo '37.
Union N. Y. '40.

Need of people.
Christ was the answer.

call ~~twice~~ a year.

Father - book keeper.
Mother a widow.
family had a struggle.

Flushing, L. I.
6 years.
salary 2080. P.
no M.

Sacramento - ~~Bethany~~ Ch.
Y. Peo. - S. S. class. choir.
vacation school.

JOINT NATIONAL AND FOREIGN BOARD PRAYER MEETINGS TO BE HELD DURING

THANKSGIVING WEEK

Monday, November 22	12:45	Miss Florence M. Goddard In the National Board Assembly Room Please keep in mind that tomorrow is our special Thanksgiving Service when an offering will be received for our Thanksgiving project. If you cannot attend the service, contributions are being received in Room 708.
Tuesday, November 23	12:45	Thanksgiving Gift Service in the National Board Assembly Room. The Service will be conducted by Miss Frances Wightman and Miss Martha Moore of the National Board and Mrs. Alexander Christie of the Foreign Board.
Wednesday, November 24	12:30	Dr. George A. Buttrick, pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, will deliver the message at our Annual Thanksgiving Service in the National Board Assembly Room. The Presbyterian Building Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Ethel Edwards, will sing. Those taking part in the Service will be Dr. H. N. Morse, Rev. S. Franklin Mack, and Dr. Arthur H. Limouze.
Thursday, November 25		Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 26	12:45	Mrs. Florence Hayes In the Foreign Board Assembly Room

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"We praise Thee, O God, our Redeemer, Creator,
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before Thee, we kneel and adore Thee,
We bless Thy holy Name, glad praises we sing.

We worship Thee, God of our fathers, we bless Thee;
Through life's storm and tempest our Guide hast Thou been.
When perils o'ertake us, escape Thou wilt make us,
And with Thy help, O Lord, our battles we win."

Julia Bulkley Cady

December 7, 1943

The Rev. Frank R. Louer,
157-22 25th Drive
Flushing, New York

My dear Mr. Louer:

Yesterday, Dr. Keeler, Mr. Roberts and I had a conference in regard to the possibility of your appointment to the Skagway Church in Alaska. We feel there are some matters connected with this in which we ought to confer with you further. We are suggesting, that if it is possible for you, we would like to have you come to my office, Friday afternoon, at 3:30, for another conference with all three of us. We suggest that you bring your wife if you desire.

If you are unable to come, we would appreciate a telephone message at your earliest convenience, and will later reimburse you for this call.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jacamon, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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6-12-1944 per inf. rec'd in letter from Mr. Jackman
"June 9, 1944 on the train" to Minn., Minn.

".....Send an application form for Alaskan service to the Rev. George D. Nielson, 213 Chamberlin St., Dixon, Ill. with a note saying his name had been given me by Mr. Cartwright and we are seeking further information about him....."

J.Earl Jackman

June 12, 1944

The Rev. George D. Nielson
213 Chamberlin Street
Dixon, Illinois

My dear Mr. Nielson:

Your name has been referred to us by The Rev. Bliss B. Cartwright as a possible candidate for service in Alaska under the Board of National Missions. We are now seeking further information about you and will appreciate it if you will fill in the enclosed application blank and return it in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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Enc. Preliminary Inf. Form

AUG 10 1944

213 E. Chamberlain St.,
Dixon, Ill., August 8, 1944.

Copy sent to C

My dear Mr. Jackman:

My family and I have been giving thoughtful consideration to your proposal about work in Alaska and I shall write you in detail by Wednesday of next week. I had a conference with Rev. Bliss Cartwright yesterday afternoon about the matter. I have an appointment with my Bishop (Bishop Geo. E. Epp of Naperville, Ill.) for next Tuesday morning, to discuss this entire matter with him. Due to the fact that our appointments are made for a Conference year (starting June 1st), I probably wouldn't be able to make a change until some time in the early part of next year. I really would prefer some place not quite as remote and frigidly arctic as the St. Lawrence Island. What time of the year is the most favorable for travel there? Would it be too much to ask that you write a letter giving me the facts about the work, term of service, retirement arrangements, etc.? I will enclose the application form with my next week's letter.

Sincerely,

Geo. D. Nielsen

Rev. Geo. D. Nielsen,

Pastor
Grace Evangelical Church,
Dixon, Ill.

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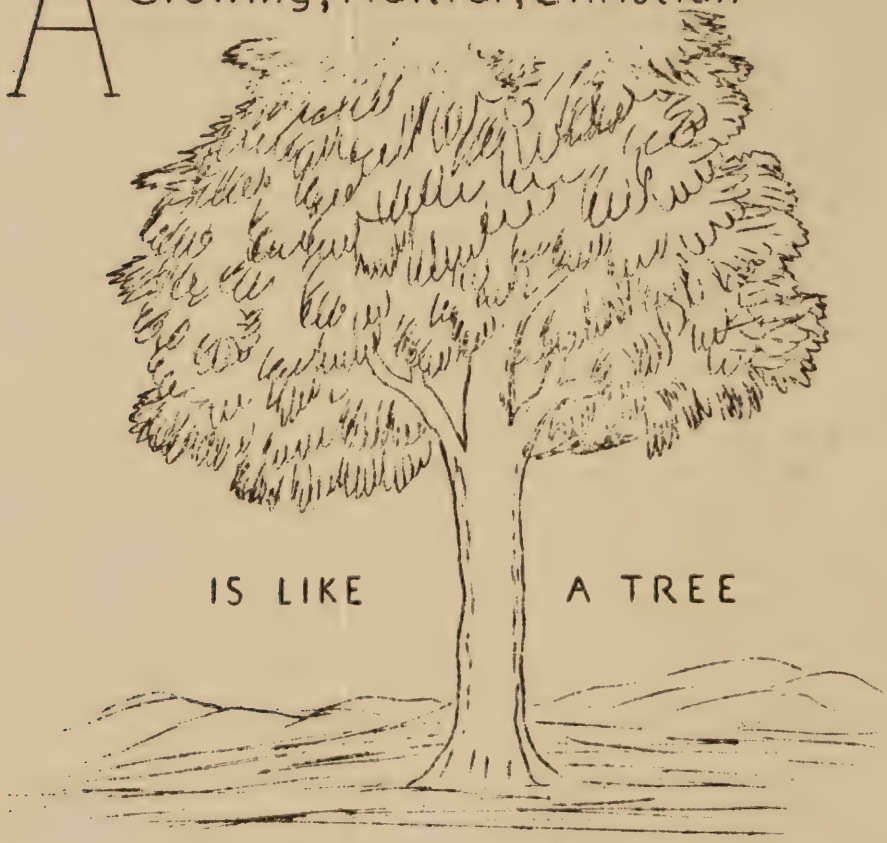
A Growing, Fruitful, Christian



planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in season.

Ps. 1: 3

GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Dixon, Ill..

Geo. D. Nielsen, Minister.

BECOMING FULL-GROWN, FRUITFUL CHRISTIANS

(Read 2 Pet. 3:18; Eph. 3:14-21;4:11-16)
The following suggestions, if faithfully followed, will help us to grow in Christ-like living.

1. Know that you are a Christian, not by any merit of your own, but by the wonderful grace of Jesus Christ who becomes ours through faith. (Eph. 2:8)

2. Read the Bible and pray daily. In the Bible, God talks to us; in prayer, we talk with God.

3. Seek to be thoroughly Christian in all your thoughts, words, habits, and deeds. If it is worth being a Christian at all, it is worth being a good one.

4. Cultivate the good habit of regular, weekly worship in the services of God's House. Many lives are spiritually impoverished because of carelessness here. We seek to make every service in Grace Church interesting, thought-provoking, and spiritually helpful. All this is of little avail unless there is regular attendance in the services of the sanctuary. (Heb. 10:25)

5. Magnify the blessings of Christian fellowship and friendship. Be ever grateful to God for "the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love, the fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above." Speak well of others. Be kind and considerate. Be charitable and agreeable. Minimize any points of difference. Magnify our points of agreement. Be friendly!

6. As God prospers you, give regularly to your Church and other Christian agencies for the extension of God's Kingdom in human lives. Be a "good steward of the manifold grace of God" in the investment of time, talent, and money. Never be stingy with God, for He has given freely to you.

7. Endeavor to be a useful Christian. Render some form of Christian service. Bear witness for Christ as opportunity permits. "Speak a good word for Jesus Christ." Don't be a drone! (Eph. 2:9)

8. Seek God's guidance for your life every day and follow it with true devotion and obedience. "He leadeth me," the Psalmist sang, (Psa. 23) and God is still leading those who are willing to follow Divine guidance.

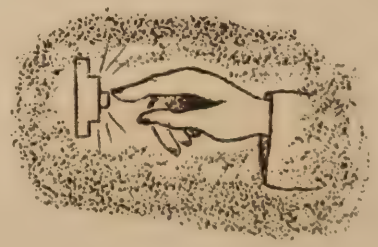
9. Remind yourself constantly, not only that you were "saved by the grace of God" (Eph. 2:8) but also of the fact that it is the grace of God that is continually saving and keeping you from day to day. "As thy days, so shall thy strength be," is the promise. "My grace is sufficient for thee, my strength is made perfect in weakness."

"Do all the good you can,
To all the people you can,
In all the ways you can,
As long as ever you can."

If I, as the Pastor of Grace Church, can be of help to you at any time, I am yours to command. I do sincerely desire to be of genuine helpfulness to every one possible. I am, with every good wish,

Geo. D. Nielsen

Rev. Geo. D. Nielsen,
Pastor - Grace Church, Dixon.



GRACE CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS and TIME OF MEETING

Albright Brotherhood	Fourth Monday at 7:30 P. M.
Christian Endeavor	First Thursday, 7:30 P. M.
Golden Rule Circle	Third Monday, 7:30 P. M.
King's Daughters' Class-	First Wednesday, 2:30 P. M.
Ladies Aid Society	Last Wednesday, 2:30 P. M.
Mission Band	Second Sunday, 10:45 A. M.
Mothers' Council	Third Thursday, 7:30 P. M.
Senior Choir Rehearsals	Wednesdays, 8:30 P. M.
(Monthly meeting - last Wednesday after rehearsal)	
Junior Choir and League	Sundays, 6:45 P. M.
Shepherd's Class	Second Thursday, 7:30 P. M.
Willing Workers' Class	Second Tuesday, 7:30 P. M.
Woman's Missionary Society-	Second Tuesday, 2:30 P. M.
Young Ladies Chorus rehearsal	Tuesdays, 6:30 P. M.
Young Peoples' Miss'y. Circle	2nd Monday, 7:30 P. M.

Each of the above organizations has a vital place in the spiritual work of Grace Church. Support them by your membership and service.

GRACE CHURCH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE and OFFICIAL BOARD

Pastor — Rev. Geo. D. Nielsen

Class Leaders: Darrell L. Palmer, Mrs. Ida Hartman, Mrs. Austin Smith, Pius Burgard

Trustees: H. Williams, (Chairman) W. Drummond, (Vice Chairman)(Also Brotherhood President) R. F. Wullbrandt, (Sec'y.) D. L. Palmer, (Treas.) H. J. Hughes.

Stewards: Roy Finney, (Chairman) Chas. Smith, (Sec'y.) Wm. McMullen, Elwin Glessner, Glen Wisner, Jack Marshall, Harvey Schofield.

S. S. Sup't., Wilbur Schreiner.

Organizational Presidents:

Christian Endeavor	Miss Audrey Stewart
Ladies Aid Society	Mrs. A. D. Klein
Woman's Missionary Society,	Mrs. W. Schreiner
Young Peoples' Missionary Circle-	Miss Eileen Finney

August 10, 1944

The Rev. George B. Nielsen
213 E. Chamberlain Street
Dixon, Illinois

My dear Mr. Nielsen:

Thank you for your letter of August eighth which has been received in the absence of Mr. Jackman who is away from the office on vacation. Your letter will be brought to his attention.

Sincerely yours,

Frieda Koerner, Secretary to
J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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UNIT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS AND ALASKA
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION FORM

Date August 8, 1944.

1. Name George (First) Dewey (Middle) Nielsen (Last)

2. Present Address 213 E. Chamberlain St., Dixon, Ill.

3. Present occupation Pastor - Grace Evangelical Church of Dixon, Ill.

4. Present citizenship American Race White
If naturalized, when and where?
Nationality of parents Danish - naturalized in early maturity.

5. Birthplace Chicago, Ill. Date of Birth July 29, 1890.

6. You are: Single Engaged Married Divorced Widowed

Wife's maiden name Ella Louise Nyquist
Date of Birth May 14, 1889 Health Good
Date of Marriage Aug. 9, 1909

If you have children give name and birthdate of each:

Ruth Louise Nielsen, Jan. 16, 1912; George - Jan. 18, 1914; Ralph - August 6, 1916; Daniel - April 27, 1924; Eileen - August 13, 1926.

7. Is your health vigorous, fair, or poor? Vigorous Height 5-11½ Weight 214
Do you have any chronic ailment? No Any physical disability? No
If so, specify

List any serious illnesses you have had, giving dates

8. Do you have any debt? No Amount?
Is there any situation which affects the economic condition of the family? No

9. Preparation for Service:

	Name of Institution	Year Graduated	Degree
High School	See explanatory letter		
College			
Seminary			
Special Courses			

10. What are your favorite forms of recreation: Handball and other athletic games. Music - gardening.

11. When did you first unite with the church? Fall of 1904.

12. What part have you taken in the work of the church or other religious organizations? Describe in some detail, noting if the experiences were with city, town, or country groups I have been active in the work of the Church in practically all phases of its work since the time of my conversion as a boy of 14.

13. What does Jesus Christ mean to you personally? Everything.

14. In what ways have you helped others to a personal commitment to Jesus Christ? Personal evangelism, preaching, catechetical work, music.

15. What influences led you to consider missionary service? The entire bent of life ever since my conversion 40 years ago.

What is the purpose of your ministry? To lead others to Christ and the Church and then build them up in the Christian faith and lead them to consecrated service.

What is your attitude toward people? I love people indiscriminately, of course, because of the love of Christ which constrains one.

16. What type of work do you wish to do? Preaching, teaching, pastoral.

17. What experience and special training not listed under academic education have you had in the type of work which you prefer to do? Include field work, employment, and most significant voluntary activity

See letter attached.

18. In what section of the country do you prefer to work? Southern Alaska.
Why do you prefer that section? It would seem as if the adjustment to the more severe arctic conditions would be rather difficult to make after having lived in temperate zones for more than fifty years. It isn't impossible, however.

19. Previous service in the church (Place and length):

Ihave been an Evangelical Pastor for almost 25 years, 10 years of which have been in Chicago, 4 in Spokane, Washington under our Board of Missions, 2 in Naperville, where we have our North Central College and Evangelical Theological Seminary, and am in my 9th year in Dixon, Ill.

20. What is the strength of your ministry? (Be honest - not too modest or too boastful)

Strong Points: Teaching-Preaching ministry and pastoral work.

We also have a well-organized Church. The musical part of our work has always been pronounced in all of our Churches.

Things hard to do: I don't know - I thoroughly enjoy the work of the Christian ministry and am willing to tackle anything within reason. The hardest thing we have to do is to leave a congregation of people whom we have come to love.

21. What is your home church? Grace Evangelical Church of Dixon.

22. When did you enter the Pension Plan? 1920 - Evangelical Church.

23. Is any other member of your family serving in the Presbyterian Church? No
Give name and location:

24. Give names and addresses of three persons to whom the Board can write for further information about you.

Rev. Bliss B. Cartwright, Dixon, Ill. (Presbyterian Pastor)

Bishop Geo. E. Epp, Naperville, Ill. (Presiding Bishop of this Area)

Rev. I. L. Schweitzer of Naperville, Ill. (District Sup't. - Evangelical Church)

Signature Rev. Geo. L. Nielsen

RE- Questions 9 and 17

I had the misfortune of coming from a broken home, my Father and Mother having separated when I was about 7 or 8 years of age. I was raised by my Mother subsequently. Both parents later re-married. In addition to my education in the Public Schools of Chicago I submit the following:

I had an 18 months course in business, accounting, etc. at the Northwestern Business College of Chicago.
I had about a year's work in business subjects at the former Sheldon School of Business of Chicago.
I graduated from the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago in 1922, most of the work being done in their evening school.
I have not resident college work, due to early marriage and having a family to provide for, but have done considerable college work by extension courses and correspondence work.
I was taking Seminary work at McCormick's but did not finish due to my being transferred from a Chicago pastorate to a mission Church in Spokane, Washington, under the direction of our Board of Bishops and Board of Missions.
I have gained much from "refresher courses" at various summer schools and Ministers' Conferences, such as the one at McCormicks, which I have attended each Summer but one since its inauguration in 1930.
I have been a diligent and painstaking student in various lines of research related to life in general and religion and the work of the Church in particular. In addition to my own library, I have availed myself, through the years, of the resources of great libraries, such as the Virginia Library at McCormicks.

Immediately after conversion in a Church in Chicago forty years ago, I became quite active in all forms of Christian service. Before entering the ministry at 29 I had taught many classes in the Sunday School. I was Superintendent for a number of years in the early twenties of my life. I have studied music quite a bit through the years and have had wide musical experience in Church work, camps, Conferences, etc. We have always developed the musical talent of every Church which we have served through orchestral or choral groups, seeking for the participation of the largest number possible in the work of the Congregation. I play the piano, though, through the press of other activity, I have not kept up with it as much in recent years as formerly. I have played other instruments in earlier years.

Before entering the ministry I had wide business experience which has helped much in the ministry. I have been book-keeper or accountant for various Chicago concerns. The last seven years before entering the pastorate, I was with the North American Life Insurance Co. of Chicago, 36 S. State St. Its President, Mr. E. S. Ashbrooke, would be glad to answer any inquiries about this phase of my experiences.

I am enclosing a picture of ~~my~~ our family which we would appreciate having you return at your convenience. In the first row are myself, Mrs. Nielsen, our daughter Eileen (now 18 and starting College in Chicago this Fall), and Mrs. Ralph Nielsen. In the rear row - our daughter Ruth, First Lt. in the Waos, stationed at Des Moines, Iowa; son George (now out of the Army on a Medical Discharge, married and living in Rockford); son Daniel, an Aviation Cadet in Communications at Yale University; and son Ralph, a radio and radar man in the Air Corps, now of Boca Raton, Fla., but who was in Alaska and the Aleutians for about 16 months, returning from there this past February. (Our son, George, is also married and has a daughter born last November.)

213 E. Chamberlain St.,
Dixon, Ill., August 23, 1944.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

With the enclosed sheets of information I have endeavored to give you a definite picture of my background and experience. As I told you in our Conference together, I have a splendid field of work in a very fruitful and congenial pastorate in Dixon. I am not in any way dis-satisfied with either my Church or Conference relationships. Your offer would not be tempting from a material stand-point, as I am receiving $600.00 more salary per year than you are paying missionaries under the your Board. However, Mrs. Nielsen and I will be glad to seriously consider what you may have to offer after our case has been fully considered by your Board. When you write, will you give in detail what is involved in a given situation, including retirement fund. If we made such a change, we would want to make it on the basis of work until the time of retirement. Our Conference year is from June 1st. We accept appointment on a year's basis. I would prefer, if we make suitable arrangements, to respect this present agreement with my Conference, though some adjustment could be made for a short period of time. In a case like the St. Lawrence Island appointment, what medical facilities, if any, are available? We have needed a minimum of medical care through the years, but one would like to know what could be done if nemessary.

I have gone over this matter with your Rev. Mr. Cartwright, since talking with you. He said that you had mentioned some other openings on Alaska proper. He said he would write to you.

Sincerely,

Geo. D. Nielsen

Rev. Geo. D. Nielsen.

P. S. I went over the matter with our Bishop Epp on Tuesday of last week.

October 13, 1944

The Rev. George D. Nielsen
213 E. Chamberlain Street
Dixon, Illinois

My dear Mr. Nielsen:

We must apologize to you for our failure in responding promptly to your good letter of August 23rd sending us all of the information about you and your family. Inasmuch as you had decided not to be considered at the present moment, we did not feel so pressed about our corresponding about you when we are desparately seeking missionaries for Alaska to fill present vacancies.

We appreciate the picture of your fine family. Certainly you and your wife have reason to be proud of your young people and this speaks well not only for them but for their parents.

We have all of our vacancies in Alaska filled now except one at Haines, and we hope within the next couple of months to have that filled too. From then on it will be a matter of replacements or expansion of our work. We will have one or two replacements next summer as far as we can see now, and we need some expansion of our work but we are using all of the money available this coming budget year for the work which has been planned. If we get additional funds we shall be able to do additional work.

We hope to contact you during the latter part of the winter or early spring and see what your situation and ours is at that time. We would want to do this sufficient in advance so that whatever the final decision is it could be made before the end of your conference year.

Thank you again for your interest and we shall follow it a little later.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Mrs Nelson

willing to go to Alaska (L.E.)

must be over Mar. 1, 1945.

Could be available May 1, or June 1.

10/31/44 Mr Nelson

Called on office to

see Mr J. Pennell

FEB 1 1943

Mr Jackman

TO THE OFFICES OF THE BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS:

Effective Monday, February 15, the members of the Junior Staff will be entitled to a lunch period of one hour instead of the present rule of 50 minutes. Where there are two or more workers in an office, it is expected that the lunch hour will be arranged so that the office will be covered at all times.

The present working schedule - from 8:30 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., Monday to Friday inclusive - will be continued.

The offices will be closed regularly on Saturdays. Arrangements will be made, however, for a secretary and a stenographer to be on duty each Saturday to receive visitors, answer telephone calls and meet any emergencies which may arise.

E. GRAHAM WILSON

February 11, 1943

Alaska appointment

OCT 20 1944

213 E. Chamberlain St.,
Dixon, Ill.,
Oct. 18, 1944.

Rev. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska
Board of National Missions,
156 Fifth Av.,
New York.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

I have your letter of the 13th and thanks. Mrs. Nielsen and I, and possibly our daughterwho is in the WAC, are going to be in New York City from Saturday morning, Oct. 28th, thru the following Wednesday, when we leave for New Haven to see one of our sons get his commission at Yale. I was wondering if I might see you some time during this period. I was always wondering if you would know of some reasonably priced hotel or home where we could stay while in New York. If you could do anything along this line I would appreciate it very much. We would be leaving New York on Friday, Nov. 3rd.

In the matter of a possible Alaska appointment, I would want to know something definite by about the end of March so that I could make satisfactory arrangements. I hope to see you in New York. Personal contact is a good deal more satisfactory than writing letters.

Would you write me at once in regard to the above inquiry?

Thanks.

Sincerely,
Geo. D. Nielsen,
Rev. Geo. D. Nielsen

Grace Evangelical Church,
Dixon, Ill.

Alaskan applicant

October 25, 1944

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. George D. Nielsen
213 E. Chamberlain Street
Dixon, Illinois

My dear Mr. Nielsen:

Glad to know that you are planning to be in New York on your way to New Haven. We shall be happy to have you visit us at the office while you are here.

The period of your stay in New York will be a particularly busy one for us in the office and I shall be out part of the time but we want to see you. May I suggest that you come in Monday afternoon the thirtieth if it is convenient? If this is not convenient you might telephone us Monday for a convenient time to both.

Usually when our people come to New York, we suggest the Prince George Hotel at 28th Street east of Fifth Avenue. The rates are about as reasonable there as at any good hotel. We might also suggest the George Washington at 23rd Street and Lexington Avenue. This would give you a location not too far from the Railroad stations and near convenient transportation. It is within walking distance of our building which is at 20th Street and Fifth Avenue.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

March 14, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. George D. Nielsen
213 E. Chamberlain Street
Dixon, Illinois

My dear Mr. Nielsen:

In our last conversation we talked about the possibility of you going to southeastern Alaska in May or June of this year. We have done nothing further about this and perhaps have failed in our part to seize the opportunity of a good ministry from you in Alaska.

May we ask you to tell us as soon as possible whether you are still interested in this field of service? We have done no special investigating because we were not sure of the future. If you are still interested we would push this along as rapidly as possible and if the way be clear may have an appointment during the summer. An early reply would be hebpful.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Dictated but not
signed by Mr. Jackman

MAR 19 1945

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Alaska Applicant

213 E. Chamberlain St.,
Dixon, Ill., March 16, 1945.

The Rev. J. Earl Jackman,
156 Fifth Av.,
New York.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Your letter of the 14th came today and I hasten to answer. I have wondered what had happened, if anything, in the matter. When I saw you in New York on Oct. 31st, I told you that the matter would have to be taken care of by March 31st as our Conference year ends about May 31st.

Answering your question:- yes, I am still interested in this field of service. However, neither you nor I would want to give a final word without more information. I appreciate that you would want medical examinations and perhaps other interviews before the matter would be taken care of from your angle. From our side, I would want to have the full facts of the situation from all stand-points if I were to make a change in my ecclesiastical connections and give the rest of life, as God may will, to the work of the kingdom and the church under the jurisdiction of your Church. If there is anything further you want Mrs. Nielsen or myself to do we shall be glad to do this. If and when you are in a position to offer a specific field of service and all that this involves, I would appreciate hearing from you in full detail and will give your communication thoughtful and prayerful consideration. After all, we are working for our blessed Lord and Savior and would want any decision arrived at to be the full expression of His will for our lives.

Sincerely,

Geo. D. Nielsen

Rev. Geo. D. Nielsen

Grace Evangelical Church,
Dixon, Ill.

Ordered appoint

March 21, 1945

VIA AIRMAIL

The Rev. George D. Nielsen
213 E. Chamberlain Street
Dixon, Illinois

My dear Mr. Nielsen:

Thank you for your letter of March sixteenth in which you give us a very frank statement of your situation in regard to service in Alaska.

We are enclosing the statement of basic program and conditions of service for work in Alaska. This will give you much information which you would desire in general about the relationship between the missionary and the Board.

At the present time we have a vacancy at Haines which is largely an Indian community but has some White people in it, and has on an adjoining property our orphanage where we have 45 Indian boys and girls. There is a close relationship between the orphanage and the Church. We are to have in May a vacancy at Wrangell which is a biracial Church which also ministers to many of the Indian young people in the government High School there. We have written to a young manwho formerly served at Ketchikan and who had to return to the States for the rest of his Seminary work. We do not know whether he desires to return to Alaska when he is finished in Seminary but have written and asked him if he would be interested in the Wrangell Church. We may have one or two other vacancies as the months go by toward the summer and fall. We cannot always anticipate how soon the vacancies may come because of family conditions with our missionaries.

The work in southeastern Alaska is in the form of pastorates in villages. There are some villages which are entirely Indian and some are biracial. In the larger communities we have a greater constituency among White people. The work there is practically in the same form as a pastorate in the States except that in many cases the message must be simplified and strongly redemptive. We have great need of personal work and a complete program. It requires hard consistent work against many discouragements.

If you consider a change from your denomination to the Presbyterian Church and an appointment in Alaska, it will, of course, involve the entrance into our Pension Plan at a later year of your life and ministry.

Let me give you the basic facts which are involved in this. Our Pension Plan calls for a minimum pension of $600 a year for thirty-five years of service in the Church. This may be increased if the salary is larger and the number of years of service are greater. It is based upon the cash service plus 15% allowance for the value of the manse. 11% of the cash plus 15% salary is required for the payment of dues. 8% is paid by the employing organization and 3% by the member. The pension is figured upon the basis of 1½% of the average salary over the years multiplied by the number of years of service.

We are trying to lift all of our missionaries to a minimum salary of $2000 and manse, add 15% for manse allowance, this would be $2300 for pension payments. Of course, if a minister were in a self-supporting Church or in a situation where a larger amount of support from the Church would increase the salary this figure might be increased. On the basis of an average salary of $2300 (which includes the 15%) and entering the plan at your age, you would build up an annual pension of $287.50 by the time you are sixty-five at which time you could retire and take your pension. If you continued service until you were seventy this would give you fifteen years of service with an annual pension of $431.25. Under our Plan a minister may retire at sixty-five and take his pension without any regular commitment for further ministry, or he may continue until he is seventy when our denominational rules require that he retire.

I am not familiar with the pension arrangements within your denomination. If you have such a plan which could carry over until the time of retirement and benefits come to you for your years of service in that denomination and then receive the benefits from our pension plan which you would build up until the time of your retirement, you and your wife might be cared for adequately. However, if you would lose pension benefits in your own denomination you would not have long enough time in ours to build up a very large pension. This matter will have to be considered along with everything else.

The premium at the amount of 11% is applicable until the age of fifty-five. After that the premium increases in proportion to the cost of having this protection for a shorter number of years' service and the older age.

We hope that some of your questions will be answered through this letter and we would be glad to have an early reply from you. I am leaving on March 29th to go to the meetings of the two Presbyteries in Alaska during April. We do not expect my return until about the 10th or 15th of May. Meanwhile, any communication after my departure will be considered here at the office and forwarded to me. A reply from you prior to my departure would be helpful.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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Enc.: Our Alaskan Ministry
Conditions of Service in Alaska

for Nielsen file
also appointment

March 22, 1945

The Rev. Bliss B. Cartwright, Jr.
316 E. 3rd Street
Dixon, Illinois

My dear Mr. Cartwright:

You are the one who first directed my attention to The Rev. George D. Nielsen as a possible candidate for service in Alaska. We have been considering this matter and now are at the point where we must make a decision. Mr. Nielsen has given your name as a reference and we are writing to you for a very frank statement concerning him.

Will you tell us something about his ability as a preacher, a pastor, and an administrator? Is he consistent in his Christian teaching and practices? Does he get along well with people? Does he have a vision and a staying power to see his job through?

Inasmuch as you have known Mr. Nielsen for some time we would appreciate a frank confidential statement about him and hope that we may have it at an early date in order to make a decision concerning his service in Alaska.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Re
Nielsen, Geo. H.
Alaska Applicant

March 22, 1945

The Rev. I. L. Schweitzer
Naperville
Illinois

My dear Mr. Schweitzer:

We have had some correspondence with The Rev. George H. Nielsen concerning the possibility of an appointment for ministry in Alaska under our denomination. Mr. Nielsen has given us your name for reference and we are writing to inquiry about him.

We would appreciate a very frank statement concerning his own character and work. We need to know something about his consistent preaching and practices in the Christian life, his ability as a preacher, as a pastor, and an administrator. Does he have vision and a staying power to see his job through? A full confidential statement concerning your knowledge of him would be very helpful. We would appreciate an early reply because this decision must be made before your conference year ends.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

March 22, 1945

Bishop George E. Epp
Naperville, Illinois

My dear Bishop Epp:

We have had some correspondence with The Rev. George D. Nielsen concerning the possibility of an appointment for ministry in Alaska under our denomination. Mr. Nielsen has given us your name for reference and we are writing to inquire about him.

We would appreciate a very frank statement concerning his own character and work. We need to know something about his consistent preaching and practices in the Christian life, his ability as a preacher, as a pastor, and an administrator. Does he have vision and a staying power to see his job through? A full confidential statement concerning your knowledge of him would be very helpful. We would appreciate an early reply because this decision must be made before your conference year ends.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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March 26, 1945

The Rev. George D. Nielsen
213 E. Chamberlain Street
Dixon, Illinois

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REV G D NEILSON.

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First Presbyterian Church

B. B. CARTWRIGHT, JR., MINISTER
316 EAST THIRD STREET
DIXON, ILLINOIS

March 26, 1945

The Rev. J. Earl Jackman, D.D.
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Jackman:

Thank you for your letter of March 22nd in regard to The Rev. George D. Nielsen. I can frankly say that Mr. Nielsen is a consecrated Christian minister, and has proven his ability to be a leader of men and women. His church, although not one of the largest churches in our city, is doing a very effective work. During the eight years which he has been the pastor of the local Evangelical Church it has increased in membership and finances. Most of the people in the church are tithers, which speaks well for the work which Mr. Nielsen has done.

I have heard him preach in our union services, and he is a very effective and forceful speaker. His interest in the missionary work of Alaska began in his early youth, but reached its height during the past year and a half when his son was stationed as a soldier in Anchorage. The son was a member of the Presbyterian Church choir while he was there, and I think both Mr. and Mrs. Nielsen became attached to the country through his influence.

I know of only one objection to Mr. Nielsen's proposed missionary service in Alaska, and that is his age. While he is of a strong physique and his wife's health is equally as good I do not think that they could undertake the rigors of a northern outpost. It is my own opinion knowing them as I do, that they could do a very effective piece of work in one of the coastal or southern missions. (in Alaska)

It is my personal opinion that Mr. and Mrs. Nielsen would do very effective missionary work if this last item was taken into careful consideration before giving them a permanent station.

Very cordially yours,

B. B. Cartwright, Jr.

B. B. Cartwright, Jr.

BBC/s

The Board of Bishops of the Evangelical Church

MAR 29 1945

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March 27, 1945

Dr. J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Board of National Missions
Presbyterian Church
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Jackman:

Your letter of March 22 has just come to hand. I happen to be the Bishop of the Central Area of the Evangelical Church of which the Illinois Conference is an intrical part.

Rev. George D. Nielson is one of the acceptable, active pastors of the Illinois Conference of the Evangelical Church. I am not a stranger to the subject under consideration for Rev. Nielson has twice had interviews with me as his presiding Bishop.

I am, however, surprised that you approach this question with me in the manner and on the basis your letter sets forth.

I value the ministry of Brother Nielson greatly. I have seen him in action in his church and know something of his desire to be of greatest service to the cause of Christ. He was in my study the other day and we talked this whole matter over quite thoroughly. The decision must rest with him. If he desires to accept your offer of appointment in the Alaska Mission, we shall wish him God's richest blessing.

I can unqualifiedly endorse him as a good, faithful worker and minister of the Gospel.

Very truly yours,

G. E. Epp

Bishop of the Central Area

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copy to: Rev. G. D. Nielson

APR 2 1945

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March 29th,1945

Mr. J.Earl Jackman
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:-

I have your communication of the 22nd regarding the character, etc. of Rev.G.D.Nielsen of Dixon, Illinois.

I have known Mr. Nielsen for a good number of years past. He has been a preacher in the Illinois conference for some twenty years, and has rendered acceptable service in every instance.

He moved to Oregon for a few years, but returned again soon to Illinois where he has since been preaching at different churches in the conference. I would say that Mr. Nielsen is thoroughly in sympathy with his work as a minister and is conscientious in everyway. He is a good Pastor. I am not so sure about his administrative abilities. What he would do in a mission work, and how long he would be satisfied to stick to the job, I cannot say , nor would I venture a guess. I trust that if he accepts this work under your board that it will not be merely for an adventure into a new phase of christian service but for a permanent and sacrificial service to the work of the Kingdom.

In a talk with him the other day, I pointed out that he would be seperated from his children of which he has five, all of them in the States, and that he is fifty four years old, and would possibly not find it as easy to make the change now as if he were a young man, just starting in the service.

I sincerely hope that if he accepts work under your board that he will render faithful and conscientious service and that the Kingdom will advance because of his coming into it at this point.

Very sincerely yours,

I. L. Schweitzer

I.L.Schweitzer

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4/4/45 sent J & J

213 E. Chamberlain St.,
Dixon, Ill.,
April 2, 1945.

Rev. J. Earl Jackman,
156 Fifth Av.,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Pursuant to our conversation at the Hotel LaSalle in Chicago last Thursday I am conveying my decision in the Alaska matter as agreed.

After full consideration of the entire matter, I want to thank you for your consideration, and say that it would seem to be inadvisable to make the change in relationships that this step would involve. I wish you and those who work under your supervision in Alaska much success in extending the work of the Kingdom of God through your Church. I am sorry that I can not share in it.

I am, with every good wish,

Sincerely,

G.D.N.

Rev. Geo. D. Nielsen.

Pastor
Grace Evangelical Church,
Dixon, Ill.

Absence of pastor
(not formerly)

JUL 16 1945

Markham Memorial Presbyterian Church
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L. V. OSBORNE, PASTOR
1614 MENARD STREET :: ST. LOUIS 4, MISSOURI

"The Ministry of Markham Church is as wide as human life, as deep as human need"

July 14, 1945

Dear Dr. Tacumany

Mrs. Osborne and I have been interested in work in Alaska for some time. We plan to be in New York if, Saturday July 21st at a Communion. I would like to have a talk with you. If you can not meet me then, can you the 28th?

I am sure at work for special work.

Dr Earl F. Zigler is here, and we have known each other for some time. Dr John T. Pirie was one of my predecessors at Markham One reason I work. Please let me hear from you soon.

I am, Dear Sir, at

Sincerely

Room 12 Gates Law School
12 Waverly Place, New Haven, Conn.

Yours in haste,

W. Deane.

July 17, 1945

The Rev. L. V. Osborne
Room 121
Yale Law School
121 Wall Street
New Haven, Conn.

My dear Mr. Osborne:

I will be in New York the week-end of July twenty-first and want to see you. The office is not open on Saturdays but I shall make arrangements to come in if you can be here. Please let me know what time you can arrive and I shall make a special effort to be present.

Meanwhile, may we ask you to complete the enclosed form and drop it in the mail to me? This information will give me some of your background before we have our conference.

Glad to know that you are interested in Alaska. We are in need of five missionaries there at present.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Enc. Information Form

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JUL 20 1949

Abraham,

In reply to your letter of July [illegible]

I am enclosing the vouchers.

I will, Dear, try to see you soon. [illegible]

Come to [illegible]. We are [illegible] time.

[illegible]

Yours in Christ

JUL 20 1945

UNIT OF SUNDAY SCHOOL MISSIONS AND ALASKA
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

PRELIMINARY INFORMATION FORM

Date July 18, 1945

1. Name Carlin V. Osborne
First Middle Last

2. Present Address 1614 Menard Street, St. Louis, Mo.

3. Present occupation Pastor & Director of Christian

4. Present citizenship American Race White
If naturalized, when and where?
Nationality of parents

5. Birthplace Kentucky Date of Birth Sept. 12, 1899

6. You are: Single Engaged Married Divorced Widowed

Wife's maiden name Gladys Ann
Date of Birth Dec. 2, 1912 Health good
Date of Marriage 1933

If you have children give name and birthdate of each:

Cynthia Ann age 8
Esther Ruth " 6

7. Is your health vigorous, fair, or poor? Height 6' 1" Weight 210
Do you have any chronic ailment? Any physical disability?
If so, specify

List any serious illnesses you have had, giving dates

8. Do you have any debt? no Amount?
Is there any situation which affects the economic condition of the family? no

9. Preparation for Service:

	Name of Institution	Year Graduated	Degree
High School	Bethel	1920	
College	Asbury by A.B.; Oklahoma Community M.A.		
Seminary	McCordick		
Special Courses	Several. New York Yale Community		

10. What are your favorite forms of recreation: Most all sports
I was a coach for 3 yrs.

11. When did you first unite with the church? about 12 yrs old

12. What part have you taken in the work of the church or other religious organizations? Describe in some detail, noting if the experiences were with city, town, or country groups Small town & rural, also city. I now have a charge in Omaha.

13. What does Jesus Christ mean to you personally? Every thing

14. In what ways have you helped others to a personal commitment to Jesus Christ?
In my church, and institutional ch. work.

15. What influences led you to consider missionary service? I am in a
type of work

What is the purpose of your ministry? Leading Christ to
humanity

What is your attitude toward people? I love them

16. What type of work do you wish to do? General Church & Educational

17. What experience and special training not listed under academic education have you had in the type of work which you prefer to do? Include field work, employment, and most significant voluntary activity. I was a second Chairman
and Commissioner

18. In what section of the country do you prefer to work? Pacific
Why do you prefer that section? [illegible]
[illegible]

19. Previous service in the church (Place and length):

Kansas City 8 yrs.
Kansas 8 yrs.
Phoenix 6 yrs.

20. What is the strength of your ministry? (Be honest - not too modest or too boastful)

Strong Points: Working with children are strong points.

Things hard to do: I know of none.

21. What is your home church? Graham Memorial

22. When did you enter the Pension Plan? About 1935

23. Is any other member of your family serving in the Presbyterian Church? yes
Give name and location: My wife is director of the Center here. She is commissioned.

24. Give names and addresses of three persons to whom the Board can write for further information about you.

Dr. John T. Faris, Wetlaketta, Florida,
Dr. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Signature [illegible]

25. Do you use tobacco in any form? _____

26. Are you willing to refrain from its use while on the mission field? _____

27. Do you use alcoholic beverages in any form? _____

28. Do you consider yourself a fundamentalist _____, Conservative _____ or Liberal _____ in Theology?

29. Can you accommodate yourself to primitive living conditions? _____

30. Do you play the piano or organ? _____

31. Can you lead your group singing? _____

32. List the names and addresses of nearest relatives who usually know where you are:

Husband: _____
relative | address | relationship

Wife: _____
relative | address | relationship

33. Enclose a photograph of yourself.

INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS

MAR 30 1948

TO Dr. Jackman

FROM Miss Gladfelter

RE:

DATE March 29, 1948

Here are Mr. Prescott's references together with Mr. Donaldson's reports on him for the last three years. Please return these to this Unit when you have finished with them.

K.E.G.

Katharine E. Gladfelter

KEG:ebm

Miss Gladfelter
Dr. Jackman

April 6, 1948

Thank you for sharing with me the attached papers for Mr. George Prescott of Nenaul. Many good things are revealed about him in the papers, but I am convinced that we should not start him and his wife at Barrow at his age. The fact that it is reported he makes adjustments very slowly, makes me wonder too if he ought to enter the field of Sunday School Missions. My impression is that he is in his proper place, and should not be put in a field work where he would cover an indefinite amount of territory.

I shall write to Mr. and Mrs. Prescott about a possible relationship with us.

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:rK
Att.: Ed & Med. & Personnel Service papers on Mr. Prescott

CC: Miss Allison

Alaska Applicant

Wallace, Mr. Donald Ewing recommended by Dr. Christy Wilson and Dr. Edward H. Roberts of Princeton Theological Seminary as a possible Alaskan Applicant:

3-22-1945 per letter filed under Roberts, Edward Howell:

> "Mr. Donald Ewing Wallace, of San Diego, California was graduated by the University of California with the degree of B.S. in 1940; He then became an engineer with General Electric and served them for several years. He felt, however, a distinct call to the ministry, and came to Princeton Seminary where he has done good work in preparation for the Christian ministry. He has a pleasing personality, is a good worker, and is deeply consecrated. He has the missionary spirit. Mrs. Wallace is a college graduate and a woman of pleasing personality. She also is of consecrated spirit. Mr. Wallace is contemplating the chaplaincy, but has the mission call in his heart."

3-26-1945 Mr.J. sent memo to Mr. Roberts to follow-up in regular way
3-29-45 Alexander sent self form
5-29-45 Def. [illegible] not filed to date.

Check - Applicant

June 5, 1945

Mr. Donald Ewing Wallace
Princeton Theological Seminary
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Mr. Wallace:

Information has come to us that you might be interested in service under the Board of National Missions in the territory of Alaska. The brief information which we have about you would lead us to feel that you might be very well adopted to service in this field.

We would appreciate a word from you indicating your interest.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

The Rev. J. Earl Jackman, D.D.
Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church, USA
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, N.Y.

JUN 8 1945

June 7, 1945

Dear Dr. Jackman:

In answer to your letter of June 5, I am not interested at present in your offer of work in Alaska, as I am planning on work in the foreign field. Thank you for your interest in writing to me about that work.

Sincerely,

Donald E. Wallace

Pemberton, Mr. Olson recommended by The Rev. Christy Wilson and Dr. Edward H. Roberts of Princeton Theological Seminary as a possible Alaskan Applicant:

3-22-1945 letter filed under Roberts, Edward Howell:

"Mr. Pemberton was graduated by Maryville College in 1933 and will receive the degree of Bachelor of Divinity from Princeton Seminary in July 1945. He is a young man of pleasing personality, good background, and we have had very fine reports about his work in a student charge. He is a married man. Mrs. Pemberton is deeply interested in the work of the church. Mr. & Mrs. Pemberton hope to go to the foregin field, but will not be definitely assigned for a few years at least."

3-26-1945 Mr.J. sent memo to Mr. Roberts to follow-up in regular way.

4-12-45 inf. from Personnel Office re: Mr. Pemberton:

"I am not and have not been thinking of service in either Alaska or Iran and I have no idea how how such a misunderstanding could have arisen.

"Be assured that we have no intentions except to prepare for service in Latin America. Please ignore anything to the contrary, unless it comes directly from Jean or me."

above inf. sent from Dr. Herrick B. Young of the Bd. of Foreign Missions

MAR 26 1945

PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, N. J.

EDWARD HOWELL ROBERTS
DEAN OF STUDENTS

EDNA HATFIELD
ASSISTANT TO THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

March 22, 1945

The Rev. J. Earl Jackman
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

Dear Mr. Jackman:

Christy Wilson has referred to me your letter of March 8 in which you ask for two workers for the field in Alaska. As you know, it is difficult to get men at such a time as this. There are two young men, however, in the senior class who are contemplating the foreign field, and they would be available for the next two or three years. In case you think they could be used in Alaska at this time, I am giving you some information about them.

1. already in file

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If other men come to my mind, I shall write you at once regarding them.

My kindest regards to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Edward H. Roberts

EHR:GH

The Rev. A. L. Roberts
The Rev. J. Earl Jackman

March 26, 1945

Mr. Olson Pemberton, Princeton Theological Seminary, Princeton, N.J. has been suggested to us as a possible candidate for Alaskan service. Also, Mr. Donald Ewing Wallace, San Diego, California who is also at Princeton Seminary has been recommended for similar service. May we ask you to follow-up these two prospects in the regular way? Thank you.

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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March 26, 1945

The Rev. Edward Howell Roberts, D.D.
Princeton Theological Seminary
Princeton, New Jersey

My dear Dr. Roberts:

Thank you for sending me the information about Mr. Pemberton and Mr. Wallace. We are asking our Personnel Office to follow up on these suggestions. We appreciate your fine cooperation.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE

(A GRADUATE SCHOOL)

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PRESIDENT COTTON ANNOUNCES FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

We are pleased to announce that Dr. J. S. Armentrout, for two years Acting Dean of the College, has accepted the invitation of the Board of Directors to become Professor of Christian Education.

Dr. Armentrout, who returned to his work with the Board of Christian Education in Philadelphia early in June, will move to Chicago about October first. In addition to teaching courses in Christian education, he will resume his duties as Acting Dean, pending the selection and arrival of the permanent dean.

In the summer months Professor Vartan D. Melconian is serving as dean.

Dr. Armentrout brings to his new work a long and well-seasoned experience. He knows Christian education as well as any man in our denomination. He combines intelligent confidence in the great traditions of the Reformed faith with insight and skill in the educational process.

He will long be remembered, however, as the man who "took over" the College at its most critical hour, who by his patience and vision restored the College. It is a tribute to "Armie" that in two years the finances of the College were turned from forlorn despair into confident assurance.

Dr. and Mrs. C. Stanley Smith will move to Chicago late in August. Dr. Smith, for years professor and dean in Nanking Theological Seminary, will serve as visiting professor of Missions.

J. Harry Cotton

GENERAL ASSEMBLY APPROVES AFFILIATION WITH THE SEMINARY

At its recent meeting in Chicago, the General Assembly voted to take the Presbyterian College of Christian Education under its care. This action has been long desired by good friends of the College.

Until the General Assembly acted, the College was under the joint supervision of the Presbytery of Chicago and the Board of Christian Education. Since it serves the entire Church, however, it was thought that a relationship to the General Assembly would be far more desirable. The Presbytery of Chicago therefore sent an Overture to the General Assembly asking that the School be transferred from its care to that of the General Assembly and that body answered the Overture in the affirmative.

The action of the Assembly included approval of the new Constitution of the College, as well as approval of the first Board of Directors to serve under the new arrangement. Two of the main provisions of the new Constitution have to do with the College's affiliation with the McCormick Theological Seminary and the method to be employed in electing the College's Board of Directors.

In view of the importance of the School's affiliation with McCormick Theological Seminary, the Articles of Affiliation, which are part of the Constitution and which the Board of Directors of both the College and the Seminary have approved, are given herewith:

Articles of Affiliation

"In order that the professional education of men and women for Church vocations, both ministerial and non-ministerial, may be more effectively carried forward, McCormick Theological Seminary and Presbyterian College of Christian Education, institutions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America and located contiguous to one another in the city of Chicago, Illinois, undertake to prosecute their respective educational programs in cooperation under these Articles of Affiliation.

a. Each institution, the Seminary and the College, shall maintain its separate corporate existence with its own Board of Directors.

b. Each institution shall operate on its own budget, be responsible for raising the same and administering it, and be responsible for any debts incurred.

c. Each institution shall maintain its own faculty elected in accordance with the provisions of its own constitution and shall be immediately responsible for the curriculum and educational facilities for those students enrolled in it.

d. The two institutions shall have the same President and Treasurer. In electing a President and Treasurer the two Boards of Directors shall cooperate so that the person chosen for either office may be chosen in the light of the needs of the two institutions.

e. The two institutions shall maintain the same standards for admission.

f. Students regularly enrolled in either institution shall be admitted freely to the classes of the other institution for credit.

g. Students shall have access to the libraries of the two institutions freely, and to other facilities of either institution as agreed upon by the faculties of the two institutions in the spirit of these Articles of Affiliation.

h. A student shall pay the fees of the institution in which he is enrolled and from which he expects to graduate, and shall be admitted without extra fee to the educational facilities of the other institution.

i. The Presbyterian College of Christian Education shall report annually to the Board of Directors of McCormick Theological Seminary with regard to the members of its Board of Directors elected during the year in regular course or to fill vacancies, with regard to faculty members elected with the rank of professor, and with regard to any other pertinent matters, and the Board of McCormick Theological Seminary shall transmit this report to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America as an integral part of its report for approval. It shall be indicated that the report is presented as that of an affiliated institution having organic independence.

j. In accordance with the spirit of these Articles of Affiliation it will be expected that there shall be full cooperation between the faculties of the two institutions, under the leadership of the common President, in planning for the curriculum and the educational program of the two institutions so that there may be provided the best education facilities for the students with a minimum of duplication or overlapping."

It should be noted that the College, though closely affiliated with the Seminary, retains its separate identity and operates through its own Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors, under the new arrangement, is composed of twenty-four members divided into three classes of eight each. Two members of each class are nominated by the Board of Christian Education, one each by the Board of National Missions and the Board of Foreign Missions, and the other four by the Board of Directors of the College. Each class serves for a three-year term. All elections of Directors are subject to the approval of the General Assembly.

It is expected that this new arrangement, which requires among other things that the College report annually to the General Assembly, will greatly strengthen the School.

CLARENCE N. WRIGHT
Chairman, Board of Directors
Presbyterian College of Christian Education

SPECIAL TRAINING FOR WORKERS IN WAR ACTIVITY CENTERS

PCCE is cooperating with the Board of National Missions in setting up a course of special training in evangelism for workers in war activity centers. From seven to twelve workers will enroll for the first term, having begun their special study in the summer training school at the College of Wooster. A second group enroll for the last two school terms. Courses will be offered in children's activities, Bible study, evangelism and Church social work.

NEWS OF THE COLLEGE

At the thirty-fourth annual commencement on June fifth Dr. J. Harry Cotton was inaugurated as President of the College. Dr. Paul Calvin Payne, General Secretary of the Board of Christian Education, was the speaker of the evening. A reception for friends of the school was held in the church parlors following the graduation.

The following students received the degree of Master of Arts:

Paul Stuart Bischoff of Chicago, Illinois, who will continue his work as the pastor of the Diversey Parkway Evangelical Church in Chicago;

Rafael Cepeda of Havana, Cuba, who will return to Cuba in July to take up educational work under the Board of National Missions;

Cecilia McCoy Jamison of Atlanta, Georgia, who has returned to her work as supervisor of parish workers in the four Negro Synods;

Karis Jameson McCutcheon of San Antonio, Texas, who is continuing her work as choir director of the First Presbyterian Church and is also teaching in the department of religious education at Trinity University;

Ila Reuter Maxton, who is serving as a minister's wife in Jerseyville, Illinois;

Edythe Lillian Rowe of Fremont, Nebraska, who expects to continue her musical studies at Westminster Choir School, Princeton, N. J.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS—The Anna Walker Moore Scholarship has been awarded to Miss Dorothy Fowler of Chicago. Miss Fowler graduated this spring from Dubuque University, Dubuque, Iowa.

The Margaret Pfeiffer Scholarship has been awarded to Miss Laurel Hyatt of Hanover, Indiana. Miss Hyatt graduated from Hanover College, Hanover, Indiana, in 1943.

COLLEGE WEDDINGS—On April twenty-eighth, Ila Reuter and David Bruce Maxton were married in the Seminary chapel. Mr. Maxton graduated this spring from the Seminary, and the young couple have begun work in the First Presbyterian Church of Jerseyville, Illinois.

Helen Cone and Jack Zerwas were married in the First Presbyterian Church of Salt Lake City on May first. Mr. Zerwas will enter the Chaplaincy of the navy in July.

Mathilda Martin and William Marvin were married in the Seminary chapel on June sixth. For the summer they are serving the church at Ellendale, Illinois. Mr. Marvin is a student in the Seminary and both expect to return this fall to complete their school work.

For information regarding the College, address
Dr. J. S. Armentrout, Acting Dean.

In any matters having to do with student personnel or alumni placement, address
Miss Ruth Bernice Mead, Student Personnel
832 Belden Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

Alaska Officers

SEP 29 1944

Presbyterian College of Christian Education
832 BELDEN AVENUE
CHICAGO 14, ILLINOIS

LINCOLN 4336

September 27, 1944

Miss Mildred Kidd
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

My dear Miss Kidd:

Thank you for sending Dr. Armentrout those student records. They belong to my personnel file. I was most glad to get them.

Will you tell Dr. Jackman that there are two or three men at the Seminary vitally interested in Alaska? One in particular, I think, would do a fine job of community work in a church. I have been cultivating him over a year. He graduates in the spring and should talk to Dr. Jackman when he is through here.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Bernice Mead

Ruth Bernice Mead
Student Personnel

RBM:py

October 12, 1944

Miss Ruth Bernice Mead
Presbyterian College of Christian Education
832 Belden Avenue
Chicago 14, Illinois

My dear Miss Meade,

Thank you for your report concerning the three men at the Seminary who are vitally interested in Alaska. I should be glad to stop off in Chicago at the earliest possible opportunity to visit with them.

We have information concerning two men and wonder if they are two of the same three of which you speak. Ed Rowley has talked to me a couple of times about it and Dr. Frank sent me the name of Lynn Taylor. We have communicated with the Taylor's for personal information.

We have one remaining vacancy in Alaska now and we hope to fill this within the next month or two. From then on it will be a matter of replacements and we hope some extra workers for more work which is developing. The extent of our expansion will, of course, depend upon whether or not we have sufficient funds for this purpose.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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OCT 18 1944

Presbyterian College of Christian Education
832 BELDEN AVENUE
CHICAGO 14, ILLINOIS

LINCOLN 4336

October 16, 1944

Dr. J. Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue
New York 10, New York

My dear Dr. Jackman:

[redacted]

The other boy that I spoke to was Bob Bowman who I think is just entering. He seems to have had his mind set on Alask for some years. I have not formed any opinion about him yet.

I hope I will see you when you come through.

Sincerely yours,

Ruth Bernice Mead

Ruth Bernice Mead
Student Personnel

RBM:py

November 1, 1944

Miss Ruth Bernice Mead
Presbyterian College of Christian Education
832 Belden Avenue
Chicago 14, Illinois

My dear Miss Mead:

Thank you for giving us the names of the two young men who are interested in service in Alaska. I hope to stop off long enough in Chicago this winter to have an interview with them. We deeply appreciate your spirit of cooperation.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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FEB 13 1947

407 Alexander Hall
Seminary
Princeton, N.J.
Feb. 11, 1947.

Dr. J. Earl Jackman
Secretary for Alaska
Board of Nat'l. Missions

Dear Dr. Jackman:

This letter is written to ask about the possibility of working in Alaska for perhaps two years. I am a May '47 graduate of Princeton Seminary, a graduate of U.C.L.A., a member of the Eagle Rock Presbyterian Church (in Los Angeles), and under care of Los Angeles Presbytery. Thoush feeling called primarily to a ministry in the United States, I nevertheless would welcome the opportunity to work first-hand with people in such a way as would surely be afforded me in Alaska. Since the beginning of the war, I have had my nose in books, and now would like to serve Christ by working for Him among people directly. I have been an assistant in a California Church for a year (the La Crescenta Community Presbyterian Church), a student pastor in New Jersey for the past two years (the Mays Landing Presbyterian Church), and was recently extended a call by a church in northern New Jersey. But I feel that the experience of work in Alaska for two years would be of more value ultimately than immediate experience in a New Jersey parish.

Would you have any need or use for a man to stay for only two years or so (certainly not less than two years)? If not, please inform me so; I can sense the possible disadvantages of such a scheme. But if you have such a need, or any possibility of it, I would appreciate hearing of it. If the latter proves true, perhaps I could come to New York for an interview some time soon. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,
Howard A. Redmond
Howard A. Redmond

February 17, 1947

Mr. Howard A. Redmond
407 Alexander Hall
Seminary
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Mr. Redmond:

Thank you for your inquiry about service in Alaska. Ordinarily, we do not like to take men for just two years but prefer to have them for a five year period of time. However, occasionally we do make some adjustment in this rule and I shall be glad to talk to you about it.

I shall be in Princeton the afternoon of February 21st to have some conferences with students who are interested in work in Alaska. Please contact Dr. Christy Wilson for a conference time.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Alaska Appointment

February 28, 1947

Mr. Howard A. Redmond
407 Alexander Hall
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Howard:

Since my visit with you in the Club parlor, I have been thinking of your possibility for a service in Alaska. You mentioned the fact that the young lady is a senior in Junior College, and ought to have two more years in which to complete her college work. It seems to me essential that she should do that. When you think of your years together in the ministry it would be regrettable that for some emergency now she should forego the completion of her college work which will give her a broader foundation as a helpmeet to a pastor in later years.

We do need a couple right now for our Church at Wrangell but under the Providence of God we might be able to work out some other arrangement for that field so that we may not have to say your service in Alaska depends upon having a wife.

We do have another spot in and near Anchorage where we need a man, and while the Presbytery have asked for a couple it seems to me a single man could be used. Presbytery met at the end of January and I have not yet had the minutes of the meeting to know what their final decision was on some of these important matters.

Pending some development on this, how about asking our Personnel Office to forward you the application and information form so that we can begin processing your name looking forward to a National Missions service in Alaska. I hope before the end of March, we will be able to have some definite decisions on a few of these questions. If things develop toward Alaska for you, I would want to see you again before the end of March. Let me know your desires.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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MAR 10 1947

407 Alexander Hall
Seminary
Princeton, N.J.
March 7, 1947.

Dr. J. Earl Jackman
Secretary for Alaska
Board of National Missions

Dear Dr. Jackman:

Thank you for your letter of February 28. I have purposely delayed writing to you that I might have more time to think and pray. The situation is this: since I last saw you, a church in western Pennsylvania has taken quite an interest in me, and has a congregational meeting scheduled for March 16, to discuss the possibility of presenting a call to me. I like the church in that I feel its needs presents a challenge to a young seminary graduate; otherwise I would not have let them call the congregational meeting.

My Alaska plans, as I told you in my first letter, were of a temporary nature. I would have liked to stay two years, but certainly no more than five, since I have the strong conviction that my life-work is in this country. I never felt that I would be called to, nor that I was equipped for, life service in Alaska. Also, there did not seem to be a really opening for me as a single man.

All of which leads me to believe that the Lord is pointing to western Pennsylvania rather than Alaska for the next few years of my life. If the Lord had not opened this door in Pennsylvania, and if the door had been "wider open" in Alaska, I think I would have chosen to work under National Missions in Alaska. But with circumstances as they are--circumstances which I profoundly believe are God's signposts to me--I must choose the home field.

But I am very glad that God has given me this interest in Alaska. From now on I shall have a special place in my heart for your department of National Missions, and shall not soon forget my pleasant association with you. And permit me to say also that it was the high spiritual tone of your brief talk that day the seniors visited National Missions that caused me to prefer Alaska to any other immediate field of service; I felt (and feel) that your objectives on the field were the same as mine. I hope that I may have the pleasure of further association with you as I go into the pastorate. And I deeply appreciate the interest you have taken in me, and the trouble to which you have gone to try to find a place for me in Alaska.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Howard A. Redmond

March 12, 1947

Mr. Howard A. Redmond
407 Alexander Hall
Seminary
Princeton, N.J.

Dear Howard:

Thank you for your letter of March 7th telling me about your plans this spring. Meanwhile, I had dictated a letter to you suggesting that we would like to have more information about you, and another conference to consider the possibility of your going up this summer for the two or three years before your marriage. We were working out a possibility of having you go to Anchorage, serve Faith Chapel which is a branch of the Anchorage Church, and the new church development in a new community at Whittier. This would have been a great experience for you, and I'm sure you could have contributed something valuable to this new development in the Anchorage area.

We are grateful to you for a place in your heart and future ministry for our mission work in Alaska. The simple fact is that there are a great many churches here in the States which need Pastors, but it is easier for them to find Pastors than it is to find someone who has the rugged qualities of character and depth of consecration to take up our work in Alaska.

We wish you well in your ministry and trust that your interest in Alaska will continue, and who knows but that as the Pastor of a strong Church here you may be the means of sending out young people and funds to carry on our program up there.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Alaska Highway

July 12, 1945

Miss Janet Ross
Glen Robbins
Ohio

My dear Miss Ross:

Information has come to me that you might be interested in moving from your present field. We have two strategic positions to fill in September and we are looking for two fine young women to fill them. We wonder if you would be interested in either one.

We need a Sunday school missionary in Maine centering her work in Starks where she would conduct Church services, do a considerable amount of visiting in homes, carry on Sunday schools, and teach Bible in five rural schools. She would need to have a teaching certificate to satisfy the standards of Maine schools for this work. Inasmuch as you come from New England, we thought you might be interested in this field.

Another one is Director of Christian Education for the Church in Anchorage, Alaska. An addition has been built on the Church and there are now facilities for building a full program of Christian Education. Miss Betty Braun has served there as a War Service Worker and has done an excellent piece of work but now realizes that one who is qualified in the field of Christian Education must be added to the Staff to build this church program. The woman worker there will do considerable community service work with a branch Sunday school and also be hostess for our Hospitality Center for men in uniform. It is a challenging opportunity for a great piece of service which will take all your energy and all the time you can possibly put into it. Miss Braun expects to come out in September and we need a replacement as early as possible.

If you are happy in your work and feel you ought to stay, or if you feel your leaving would undermine the work of Dr. Sharpe and Miss Smith, we would not want to entice you away but if you feel that you would welcome a change and can make it we would be happy to consider you for either one of these places. We would appreciate a reply as soon as convenient indicating your interest. If you are not interested, we must proceed immediately to find someone else.

I am taking my family to Smithfield, Ohio about July 25th and 26th. If you are interested I would like to see you on July 27th either at Glen Robbins or Smithfield. At Smithfield we shall be with Mrs. P.N. Mintier, Maple Avenue which is the street beginning at the Ridgeley Funeral Home and going toward Bradley. May we hear from you here at the office as soon as possible?

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Sunday School Missions
and Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

CC Miss Kidd

JUL 18 1945

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Of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.

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Glen Robbins,Ohio
July 14,1945

Rev. Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions
Presbyterian Church in U.S.A.
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York,N.Y.

My dear Dr.Jackman:

In reply to your letter of July 12th I wish to thank you for considering me for the positions mentioned in your letter, but I am very happy in my work here in Ohio and the only reason I would consider a change would be that the state of my health would not permit me to remain in the Ohio Valley. I consider it a rare privilege to work with Dr.Sharpe and Miss Smith and the two years spent at Glen Robbins have been very happy ones.

Thank you for writing me. I do hope that you will be able to find two young women for those positions .

Sincerely,

Janet W. Ross

(Alaska Applicant Non-Acc.)

July 20, 1945

Miss Janet W. Ross
Glen Robbins, Ohio

My dear Miss Ross:

We are glad to know that you are happy in your important service in Glen Rob ins but sorry to learn that you have said "no" to work with the Board in Alaska or Maine.

In your acquaintanceship in the field of Home Missions work, do you know of any capable young women who might be interested in either one or both of these fields? They are both strategic points and we need workers!

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Sunday School Missions
and Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

August 3, 1943

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, California

Dear Mr. Roumpf:

Thank you for your good letter dated July 24. I am glad you are still interested in working in Alaska. Of course, there is no way to promise you now any definite work in Alaska next Spring, but in all probability, there will be some opening for you.

If there is no opening in Alaska, there will certainly be some missionary work for you to do in the Northwest, and that will prepare you for the work in Alaska.

A month or so before you are ready to leave, you will write to me again.

Enclosed you will find a new pamphlet on St. Lawrence Island; I think it is most stimulating.

Cordially yours,

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Enc.

Dr. E. B. King

Room — 708

Thanks (?) for showing me

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Please Return to EBK.

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Sunny Hills,
San Anselmo, Calif.
July 24, 1943

UNIT OF EDUCATIONAL AND MEDICAL WORK
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Dr. Evertt B. King
156 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. King:

It is time that we again contact each other. It has been since June 18 of last year that we have written. In your letter of that date, perhaps I should quote:

> "Thank you for your application for work in Alaska. I am filing this and hope that we may be able to comsumate the plan when you complete seminary."

Within six weeks I shall begin that last year of work that should have me pretty well prepared to go out into such a field as Alaska. I am looking forward to work in Alaska beginning as soon as possible after graduation next spring.

When I last wrote to you I was single. I still am but within five weeks there shall be two of us who will want to go north. The future Mrs. Roumpf is also a Nebraskan. She has taught three years in Nebraska, is a graduate of Tarkio College, Mo. (United Presbyterian). Her present position is that of a Professional Girl Scout Secretary of Fresno, Calif.

I am continuing my work in the boys and girls home along with school work. The work here has averaged eight hours per day, yet with this the seminary grades average a high B. This senior year the two of us will do the work of one person here and both take seminary work. Maxine will not be able to carry a full course but I shall. In addition to this work at the home we will have a small mission church 20 miles from here. I have the church now. It is an unorganized church that should be a going institution before long. The work is wonderful experience.

During the Ashram of Dr. E. Stanley Jones I spent much time talking with Archie Matson, Methodist, of Ketchican. He very clearly and frankly told much of the situation and what we might expect in Alaska. All that he said only served to make me more eager to go.

May we hear from you at your convenience.

Very sincerely,

Lawrence "Larry" Roumpf

June 18, 1942

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, California

Dear Mr. Roumpf:

Thank you for your application for work in Alaska. I am filing this and hope that we may be able to consummate the plan when you komplete seminary.

Cordially yours,

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Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, Calif.
Oct. 21,1943

Mr. Everett B. King
Board of National Missions
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. King:

Now thats chool is well under way andseniors are beginning to look forward to fields of future work we are being asked wheatw e will do in the future. After reading your letter of August 3 it almost seems that I should not write this letter, yet there are questions that we can answer better if we can get some more information from you.

Your statement,"Of course, there is no way to promise you now any definite work in Alaska next Spring, but in all probability,there will be some openiig for you." does contain many interesting suggestions. To be sure you cannot promise any definite work, but can you suggest what might be some of the possibilities? What types of work might be unfilled and where might they be? What special type of prepartion will be necessary? What will be needed in the line of clothes, house supplies, transportation, money? And anything that we might be now prepare for?

A brief resume of thework that we are now doing and a little history may prove of interest. Since I last wrote to you I got married. Mrs. Roumpf and I are now working at a Boys and Girls Home-- where I have been for two years-- taking care of sixteen boys. We both go to school while the kiddies are in school.In addition to our work in school and the kiddies we have Girl Scouts and Brownies, and 4*H work. What time is not devoted to this work is employed toward the moving a church congregation to another location with the intention of having an organized church by spring.As we are now moving this will be a reality.

You have in a previous letter much of my history. Mrs. Roumpf you do not know. She is a graduate of Tarkio College(United Presbyterian) Missouri. She has four years of teaching experience in schools in Iowa and Nebraska. When we got married she was doing professional Girl Scout work in Fresno, Calif. She,as well as I, is possessed of excellent health. All her life she has been in the church. At one time state president of the youth organization of her church in Nebraska.

Sincerely yours,

Thanks for the St. Lawrence Island pamphlet.

Lawrence Roumpf

October 28, 1943

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, California

Dear Mr. Roumpf:

Your letter of October 21 was received after Dr. King had resigned from the Board to take up a pastorate in Albuquerque, New Mexico. His successor has not yet been appointed.

We will, however, hold out your correspondence and present it to Dr. King's successor for his information.

Sincerely yours,

UNIT OF WORK IN ALASKA

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File Applications

January 6, 1944

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, Calif.

My dear Mr. Roumpf:

Since I have come into the office of the Unit of Work in Alaska I find your application for service in that important field. From the information here it would seem that you are in your final year in seminary and now looking forward to a placement after the seminary year is finished.

I have not had the opportunity of investigating your application very thoroughly but am rather favorably inclined toward you from the little information which we have here in the office. If you were ready at the present moment we could consider an immediate appointment, but the one outstanding vacant field there must be filled as soon as we can find a good man for it. This will complete our appointments as far as I can see at the present moment.

We appreciate your desire to serve in Alaska and certainly want to keep you in mind. While nothing seems available at the present time, one never knows when something will open up. We would like to keep in touch with you and see what develops.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

February 2, 1944

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
San Francisco Theological Seminary
San Anselmo, California

My dear Mr. Roumpf:

Since writing you I find that we will have a vacancy in Ketchikan, Alaska about September first. There are one or two applications for Alaskan service which may or may not be acted upon favorably so that we would be interested to know if you are still thinking in that direction.

Ketchikan is a community of about 5000 people with a Comity Agreement between denominations. The white people are supposed to attend the Methodist Church and the native Indians the Presbyterian Church. However, in spite of this agreement our man is doing such an excellent piece of work there that the white people are voluntarily going to his Church. We are advising him not to turn them away but to refrain from any pressure to get them to go. This work is developing with a well-rounded program of Church and Young People's activities. If you are interested in this possibility please let me know and we shall confer further about it.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Sunday School Missions
and Work in Alaska

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FEB 14 1944

Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, Calif.
Febr. 10,1944

Dr. J.Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions of the
Presbyterian Church in the USA
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10,N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of February 2 was received today. It again lifts our spirits to where they were when we were looking forward to Alaska.

Since we last heard from you we have talked with Dr. Randolph and Dr.(perhaps only Rev.) Roberts. Dr. Randolph wanted us to consider the Indian work in Phoenix. Other considerations were made with Mr. Roberts. We have been in contact with Oregon considering work there. Although we have in no way committed ourselves we have been looking forward to a field of service.

The possibility of the Ketchikan field sounds very interesting. We certainly would consider it. Especially does this field interest us because of our acquaintance with Archie Matson the Methodist man there. Last summer I spent ten days with him and since then have been in correspondence with him.

What assurance is there that we might go to this field. We would like to know enough that we will not be seeking a field here in the States. As we are set up here the months of summer will not be wasted for we are working in a boys and girls home taking care of 16 boys. We also have an aided field that we could continue until time to go north.

Thanks for your kind consideration.

Very sincerely,

David Foumoff

Jul 2 Alaska

February 14, 1944

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, Calif.

My dear Mr. Roumpf:

Thank you for your letter of February tenth in regard to the possibility of your entering Alaskan service next September. If you are particularly interested in the field at Ketchikan, I shall be glad to proceed with whatever investigation is necessary and will arrange the possibility of a conference with you between now and the summer.

It is my understanding that this field will be vacant September first but I will confirm this at an early date, in fact I am planning to go to Alaska during April and will bring back a definite report. Then we shall proceed to secure a minister to fill the vacancy.

I am interested in the fact that you know the Rev. Mr. Matson in the Methodist Church there. He may or may not have told you that we are having a little difficulty between the two churches. Under the Comity Agreement the Methodist Church is supposed to serve the white population and the Presbyterian Church the native population. However, Jim Hall who is in our church there at the present time is putting on such an energetic program that the white people are being drawn to his church. We have told him not to solicit them but not to turn them away if they come.

We shall be interested to have your reaction about Ketchikan.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

4-24-1944

Inf. from Mr. Roberts; if they do not have Preliminary Information on file re: Mr. Lawrence Roumpf they will send application and ask for same.

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April 27, 1944

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, Calif.

My dear Mr. Roumpf:

I have just returned from Alaska and find that The Rev. Mr. Hall will be coming back to the States July first. This makes it imperative that we find a successor for him as early as possible after that date.

We are considering you favorably and all of the information which I have up to the present indicates that you can very well fit into our need there. It was my impression before leaving that our Personnel Office was to continue our sources of investigation to be absolutely sure of you as our choice. We feel we must take every precaution in sending a man into such a strategic place as Ketchikan for a period of years of service. Meanwhile we want you to think in that direction and we shall continue our negotiations looking forward to your possible appointment. I want to have a long visit with you over this matter and indications point to the fact that it will be necessary for me to go to San Francisco sometime before the end of June for this conference and other matters along the way.

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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MAY 8 1944

Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, Calif.
May 1,1944

Mr. J. Earl Jackman
Board of National Mission of the Presbyterian Church U.S .A.
156 Fifth Avenue
New York,10,N.Y.

Dear Mr. Jackman:
I have at hand your letter of April 27th. The nature of the letter demands that it be answered immediately. If you know in time you can begin a search for some other person to succeed Mr. Hall in Ketchikan that the field will not be vacant too long. My consideration of the field has ceased. We have accepted a call to Stanford, Montana. If this in any way causes you inconvenience I am sorry. Because we received so little assurance that seemed at all definite we decided not to wait. With school rapidly approaching an end and nothing definite in sight it seemed wise that we should have some plans for the future. Therefore we investigated the field in Montana and accepted the call. We will be leaving here immediately following graduation the middle of May.

Sincerely yours,

Lawrence Boumff

CONFIDENTIAL

The Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

To EVERETT B. KING, D.D., Secretary for Sunday School Missions

Questions concerning the Application of Lawrence Roumpl

for appointment as Sunday School Missionary for the Presbytery

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NOTE 1.—Answers to questions 1 to 21 should be written by the applicant.

1 **Your full name and P. O. address?**
Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills , San Anselmo, Calif.

2 **Nationality** American **Age** 30 **Present employment** Boys Directo

3 **How long have you been a professing Christian? Of what church are you a member?**
Six years
First Presbyterian Church, Central City, Nebraska

4 **What educational advantages have you had? Common School, Academic, College, Seminary?**
Eight grades in a rural school, high school,
College, and one year of seminary

5 **Have you taken any special course of training for Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work?**
No, other than the required courses during the first
year of seminary

6 **Name institutions in which such courses were taken.**
San Francisco Theological Seminary

7 **Are you familiar with our Church's program of religious education?**

Yes

8 What experience have you had in young people's work?

Leader of young people's classes, and teacher of various S.S. classes, Scout work, 4-H work. Asst. Boys director at Camp at the present time.

9 Have you ever conducted a Vacation Bible School?

No.

10 In what other forms of Christian service have you engaged, and where?

Supply work and temporary pastor during my college course at Hastings, Nebraska. Temporary work at Spalding, Nebraska

11 What experience have you had in

(a) evangelistic preaching? None, strictly speaking.

(b) personal evangelism?

Work with various people through personal contact and friendship.

12 Married or single? Single Number and ages of children, if any?

13 What part have you taken in Sunday school work?

(a) In your own church. S.S. teacher, Young people's leader

(b) In city, county or state organizations.

No offices, only indirect promotion.

14 What credits have you received in the Standard Leadership Training Course?

None

15 Can you provide yourself with a means of conveyance?

With present conditions it is doubtful.

16 Is it your earnest desire to engage in this work permanently or only for a temporary period?

Permanently.

17 What is the condition of your physical health?

Excellent

(Please state time of last illness, the nature of the disease and the length of time you were incapacitated.)

Appendix: eight day convalesence.

18 When could you begin work if appointed?

As soon as seminary work is completed. Probably summer 1944.

19 In what State or States would you prefer to labor?

Nebraska

20 Do you understand that the work of the Sunday School Missionary requires frequent and extended absences from the family circle, and are you willing to be absent from home for periods of one, two, or three weeks at a time, as may be necessary?

Certainly.

21 Give names and addresses of five persons who may be used as references. (At least three should be Presbyterian ministers.)

Dr. Janet Carpenter, 510 Uni. Ave. Hastings, Nebr.
The Rev. Thomas A. Barton, Lincoln, Nebraska
Mr. Cliff Romer, Sunny Hills, San Anselmo, Calif.
The Rev. Mr. Merle Allen, Central City, Nebraska
Mr. Harvey W. Harper, Live Oak, Calif.

NOTE 2.–Answers to questions 22 to 38 should be written by a person acquainted with the applicant's character and abilities.

22 How long have you been acquainted with the applicant? About four years.

23 From your knowledge of the requirements of modern Sunday school work, do you consider the applicant adapted by ability and temperament to this form of service as a field representative of our denomination?

Yes.

24 Has he done any outstanding work in his church or presbytery

(a) as a soul winner? Yes — while in college & in Seminary

(b) in Sunday school or other forms of religious educational work? Yes — in college & now, serving our local orphanage.

25 In what ways has the applicant shown energy of character?

He worked his way through college and now is working his way thru seminary and impresses fellow students & faculty with his character.

26 What are his abilities as a public speaker or leader of public meetings?

Very good.

27 Does he seem to have an intelligent understanding of our Church's program of religious education?

Yes.

28 What are his business habits as to system, promptness and devotion to details?

Outstanding.

29 Is he strictly honest and accurate in financial matters? Is he accurate and reliable in his statements?

Yes.

30 Is he tactful, pleasing in manner and of friendly disposition, especially toward strangers?

Very much so.

31 Does he attract children and young people?

Yes.

32 Has he been successful as a pastor, in business, or other vocation? In business and as student pastor.

33 Does he possess qualities of leadership such as would inspire others to adopt his suggestions?

Yes.

34 Is there anything unfavorable in his past record?

No, not that I know of.

35 Is he of a practical, persistent and persevering temperament?

Yes — all of that.

36 Is he careful and cleanly in his dress and habits?

Yes.

37 In your observations of him and his work what characteristics or attainments of the applicant have impressed you most forcibly?

All 'round fitness for just such work as you are doing.

38 What are the brother's defects? That is, what habits or peculiarities have you observed which might weaken his influence and interfere with his success as a Sunday School Missionary? (Please answer this fully.)

I know of none.

"Larry" is just the man for your work. In Hastings he was a loved leader among his fellow students. Here he is filling a wonderful place in our orphanage as supervisor in his marginal time, while he attends seminary.

NOTE 3.—The answers to all these questions should be frankly given and will be strictly regarded as confidential and for the use of this Board alone.

(Signed)

Jesse H. Baird

Name of person answering above questions

President, San Francisco Theological Seminary, San Anselmo, Calif.

Member of Presbyterial or Synodical Committee on National Missions

NOTE—Any credentials which the candidate may desire to submit should be enclosed with this application.

DEPARTMENT OF
MISSIONARY OPERATION

SAN FRANCISCO AND SAN JOSE PRESBYTERIES
W. CLYDE SMITH
Executive Secretary

Board of National Missions of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America

228 McALLISTER STREET • SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA • PHONE HEMLOCK 6370

Sale Roumpf
Alaska Officials

May 3, 1944.

MAY 8 1944

Rev. J. Earl Jackman,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York, 10, N. Y.

Dear Earl:

I have just completed a telephone conversation with Mr. Lawrence Roumpf at the Seminary. I suggested the visit to my office as you mentioned in your letter and when I explained the occasion for the suggestion he said that the New York office had "dallied" so long about their application that they had given up the idea and had since accepted a church in the State of Montana to which they expect to go as soon as Seminary is over. Therefore, the conference was not necessary and I told him that I would write you to that effect.

If there is any other way at any time that I can be of service to you, please call upon me.

Sincerely,

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W. Clyde Smith,
Executive Secretary.

DR. JACKMAN

Alaska Application

MAY 5 1944

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the
United States of America
156 Fifth Avenue, New York 10, N.Y.

May 4, 1944

Mr. Larry Roumpf
San Francisco Theological Seminary
San Anselmo, California

Dear Mr. Roumpf:

Following up on our conversation in San Anselmo I had a talk with Dr. Jackman and I understand that you have been in direct correspondence with him. He is now ready to explore the possibility of an Alaskan appointment further, as you undoubtedly know. Will you accordingly fill out the enclosed personal information form, attach a photograph, and return it to this office.

We are glad to know of your continuing interest.

Very cordially yours,

A. L. Roberts
Unit of Personnel Service

ALR:FW
Enc. Appl. form

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May 9, 1944

Mr. Lawrence Roumpf
Sunny Hills
San Anselmo, Calif.

My dear Mr. Roumpf:

Thank you for your letter of May first which gives me a very definite answer concerning your service in Alaska.

We regret to learn that you have turned down the possibility of service in Alaska to go to Stanford, Montana. We have been thinking of you for the last few months as the successor to The Rev. Mr. Hall in Ketchikan, and now we are without a good man to take up this work.

In our earlier correspondence we talked about the possibility of your going the last of August or the first of September and you seemed to feel that this would work in very well with your plans because you had work to do over the summer and would then be available when The Rev. Mr. Hall came out. We were working upon this basis. Before going to Alaska, I wrote that we would know more definitely about this upon my return and could then tell you when you were to go. It is my purpose to go to California the last of June for a final conference with you before you would go North. This trip now will not be necessary because you have accepted the field in Montana.

We regret the fact that you are not available for service in Alaska and we shall proceed to find someone else if we can. However, Montana needs good men and we trust that you will have a fine ministry there.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

JEJ:FK

Rev. Lawrence Rumpf
First Ply. Church
Stanford Montana

Address changed
to above from
Sunny Hill
San Anselmo, Calif
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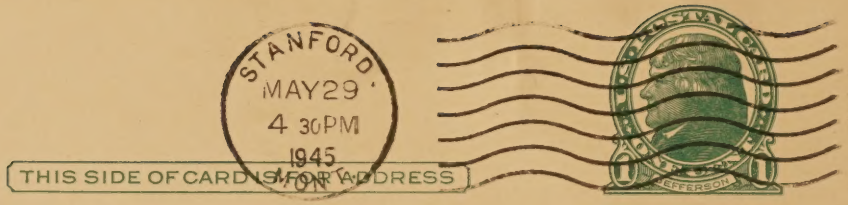
Dr. Jackman:

Thanks for your letter of May 24th. At the present time we are less interested in Alaska than we once were. We are very happily located in this Parish of four churches and world's of opportunity.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Roumpf



Dr. J. Earl Jackman
Board of National Missions
Presby. Ch.USA
156 Fifth Ave.
New York 10, N.Y.

May 24, 1945

The Rev. Lawrence Roumpf
First Presbyterian Church
Stanford, Montana

My dear Mr. Roumpf:

Before you left Seminary you evidenced a decided interest in service in Alaska. If you are still interested please let us know?

Cordially yours,

J. Earl Jackman, Secretary
Unit of Work in Alaska

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